

# CDC Funding Requestor's Checklist

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- 1. Letter or memo detailing what the proposed project is, what activities have taken place to this point, and how the proposed project will benefit the citizens of Frisco.**

Frisco Dog Park, Inc. is requesting \$25,000 from the Community Development Corporation (CDC) to construct a temporary dog park facility that can be used by the citizens of Frisco until a permanent dog park facility can be built in 2012.

Frisco Dog Park, Inc., a Texas 501(c) (3) non-profit corporation, was formed in August, 2007 and made its first request to the Parks and Recreation Board for a City-owned and operated dog park on September 13, 2007. In January, 2009, the City Council approved adding a dog park to the Master Plan for the B.F. Phillips Community Park; funding, however, will not be available until late 2012.

Frisco Dog Park, Inc. is committed to raising funds to construct a dog park facility for citizens to use until the City can build a permanent park in 2012. This temporary dog park will fulfill basic user requirements (fencing, benches, water fountains, and pet waste stations). The Parks and Recreation Board approved the concept on June 11, 2009, but added irrigation as a required amenity. In addition, the Board approved a 2-acre site for this project, located on the north side of B.F. Phillips Park.

The Frisco Dog Park Organization has thousands of supporters and more than 700 volunteers. Frisco Dog Park, Inc. hosted the Second Annual Rover Rally in March 2009. Their website received more than 53,000 hits during the month preceding the Rally, and nearly 1500 people and 600 dogs attended the event. Frisco Dog Park, Inc. has drawn the attention of the news media on several occasions, which has focused positive attention on the City of Frisco.

- 2. Verification from city staff that the funding request is allowable under state law.**

City staff has indicated that this funding request is allowable under state law. Please contact them for verification.

- 3. Description of matching funds for the proposed project.**

Dudley Raymond, Planning & Business Development Manager for the City of Frisco Parks and Recreation Department, has obtained a cost estimate for construction of the temporary dog park at the approved location. Total cost: \$75,000. The Frisco Dog Park Organization will contribute a minimum of \$25,000 toward this project. The Parks and Recreation Board approved a \$25,000 matching contribution.

**4. Detailed description of the efforts to obtain funding other than the CDC funding.**

In addition to the funding obtained from the Parks and Recreation Board, Frisco Dog Park, Inc. has held a variety of fundraisers over the past two years, including: Rover Rally, Barktoberfest, eat-out nights at area restaurants, and a poker tournament. We are currently exploring the possibility of holding a golf tournament and helicopter golf ball drop. In addition to these on-going fundraisers, we have received monetary donations from citizens and businesses.

**5. Detailed description of any private, public, or non-profit partnerships in funding the proposed project.**

See item #3.

**6. Detailed plan for funding the ongoing operations and maintenance of the proposed project.**

The City Parks and Recreation Department will operate and maintain the temporary dog park facility; however, Frisco Dog Park, Inc. will donate \$5,000 - \$10,000 per year to the City to help defray these expenses.

**7. Detailed proposed project budget, including how and when the requested dollars would be spent.**

Dudley Raymond, Planning & Business Development Manager for the City of Frisco Parks and Recreation Department, has obtained a cost estimate for construction of the temporary dog park at the approved location. Total cost: \$75,000. Timing of park construction is dependent upon timeframes for City Council approval and the length of the bidding process.

Many of the materials used to construct the temporary dog park can be reused at the permanent location, i.e., fencing, pet waste stations, benches, and water fountains. It is our hope that these items can be transferred to the permanent location, not only to prevent waste, but also to save the City money.

**8. Statement regarding whether the request is intended to be a one-time request, or an annual request.**

Frisco Dog Park, Inc. is requesting a one-time \$25,000 contribution from the CDC which will be used to construct the temporary dog park.